

# Minutes Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission Community Service Project Subcommittee August 11, 2015

Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission Community Service Project Subcommittee held on August 11, 2015 5:30 p.m., at the Westside Multigenerational Center 715 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St, Tempe, AZ 85281.

**MEMBERS Present**: Alexis Blanc, Chris Moffitt, Jaren Savage.

**MEMBERS Absent:** Tiffanie Cappello-Lee, Sophia Gonzalez, and Zaria Guignard.

City Staff Present: Lily Villa.

**Guests Present:** None.

# Agenda Item 1 - Call Meeting To Order/Introductions

**Alexis Blanc, Community Service Subcommittee Chair** called the meeting to order at 5:27pm.

### Agenda Item 2 - Consideration of the Meeting Minutes: July 16, 2015

The group silently read the minutes from the July 16, 2015 meeting to check for errors.

**Motion: Jaren Savage** motioned to approve the minutes.

Second: Chris Moffit seconded the motion.

**Decision:** Minutes were approved.

# Agenda Item 3 - Announcements

- 1. **Lily Villa, MYAC Advisor** and **Alexis** reviewed the past meeting notes with **Chris** and **Jaren** so they could be up-to-date on the project activities and plans.
- 2. **Lily** informed the subcommittee that she met with Meghan Arrigo who works with the Arizona Children's Action Alliance to gather information and statistics about foster care in Arizona and the city of Tempe. As per the group's request, **Lily** obtained the following statistical information:
  - 1. Websites containing information about Foster Care in Arizona
  - 2. There does not appear to be geographically-specific data on Foster care students- i.e. percentages in Tempe or percentages of foster care youth who drop out of school

#### Agenda Item 4 - Presentation Handout Materials

**Alexis** lead the group to design the presentation hand-out materials. The group came up with the following ideas:

- The MYAC members will pass out fans with photos of a sad high school person on one side and happy people on the other side. On the side with the sad person it will have brief calls to action such as:
  - 1. Be conscious of what others have been through.
  - 2. Be mindful of what you say to other people in school.
- 2. The other side will have a picture of people jumping for joy with the phrase: "Help Anyone, Help Everyone."
- 3. At the end of the presentation, we will pass out customized gum packets with the statistic that says "In Arizona, the amount of youth entering foster care has doubled since 2008 while the
  - national average has dropped. Let's try to help those in need."
- 4. We will also pass out a flyer containing information what foster care students' rights are in order to illustrate the experience that youth have in foster care. This will be obtained from http://www.fosteringadvocatesarizona.org/foster-youth-bridging-success/.

#### Agenda Item 5 – Future Agenda Items

- Community Service Project Discussion Group Practice
- Community Service Presentation Planning

The Commission's next meeting will be TBA.

Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Prepared by: Lily Villa

Reviewed by: Kim Bauman

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Alexis Blanc

MYAC Community Service Project Chair

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